

We take our hats off to September Blues

JOURNALISTICALLY, it's been a relief to write a different kind of match report this week after Wanderers' run of success was finally interrupted.

How many ways can you describe convincing, stylish 4-0 wins? Good test for me, I guess. I doubt, however, if Blues fans will mind reading the same old report all season long if Wycombe can pick up the pieces and start another winning run.

While defeat at Bath is depressing,

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— especially on a soggy Tuesday night — the nine-match winning run warrants a massive pat on the back.

To respond to the disappointments of May and June, when promotion to the Football League could not have been closer, in the manner the Blues have done is admirable.

We've been treated to nine wins, 31 goals and the most creative, excit-

ing attacking soccer you could wish for.

If the Wycombe squad can now prove they have the resilience to avoid the let-down of this time last year, when the first defeat (against Macclesfield) was quickly followed by the second (against Colchester), then we're in for more top-notch stuff.

Hats off to the Blues for equalling the all-time Conference winning run. Now prove to us you can bounce back from your night off.

IN THE BLUE CORNER

● MARTIN O'Neill scored two in five minutes at Slough last Sunday — but then he was bowled out by QPR winger Andy Sinton.

The Blues boss donned his whites for the Jockeys, Trainers and Friends XI in a benefit cricket match for the jockey Steve Eccles-Smith. Despite O'Neill's efforts at the crease, his side's 165-8 won the game as the EMP Bunbury XI — including Sinton, Bill Wyman, Dave Beasant and Vinnie Jones — were all out in compiling their 165.

● ALAN Parry probably enjoyed his footy as much as I did last weekend. After witnessing WWFC win 4-0 by

the interval at Kettering on Saturday, he then commentated on another WWFC 4-0 victory achieved by half time, as Wolves walloped Birmingham in Central's live game on Sunday. Now that's what I call a result.

● M. J. Locke, from Prestwood, Great Missenden, wrote in to ask if Wanderers are changing the rules of their golden goal competition considering the team's recent scoring exploits. He suggested the winning ticket should be that with the time of Wycombe's fourth goal rather than their first.

● Leagueline winners: £400 C. Mills (620); £25 N. Cooper (209), B. Leese (719). Lucky Letters: D, L and X, sharing a prize pool of £609.40.